IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

ISABELA SNEED,
Plaintiff,

vs.

Case No. 22-cv-00031-R

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT NO. 16 OF
PAYNE COUNTY,
Defendant.

DEPOSITION OF JOHN FIELDS

DATE: FEBRUARY 28, 2023

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story from the Stillwater paper, I believe, 1 and I'll have your counsel look at it. 2 you can keep that in front of you. 3 (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 12 4 marked for identification) 5 MR. CORLEY: Can we go off the 6 record real quick? 7 Yeah, yeah, sure. MR. SMOLEN: 8 (Off the record) 9 DIRECT EXAMINATION (Cont.) 10 BY MR. SMOLEN: 11 Okay. So, Mr. Fields, when I was 12 kind of preparing for your deposition, came 13 across a statement. I think it was in the 14 newspaper here locally. And it was just 15 about a resignation that you had. And it 16 looks like, according to this, that the 17 resignation was effective March 1st of 18 2019. Is that right or 2020? 19 I think it's 2020. Α 20 Yeah. So in the -- under the 21 picture, it says: District officials have 22 declined to discuss -- it says: The 23 Stillwater Board of Education has accepted 24 the resignation of Stillwater Junior High 25

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School Principal, John Fields, effective
March 1st, 2020, I think, is what it was.
Does that seem consistent with your memory?
       Uh-huh, yes, I'm sorry.
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       Okay.
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       Yes.
       I don't want to get into the details
of that, okay? I understand that those
charges were dismissed and expunged, and --
and so I'm not going to get into that.
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I do want to get into, during this
timeframe, okay, up until March 1st of
2020, I want to talk to you about
situations pertaining to other faculty at
the school and other students that had
attended both the junior high and the high
school, okay? I'm going to hand you
Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 1.
           (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 1
            marked for identification)
           MR. SMOLEN: John, it's just a
copy of the complaint.
           MR. PRIDDY: Okay.
       (By Mr. Smolen) And I really -- if
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you wouldn't mind, Mr. Fields, just reading
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